NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

Edge Sale (C-121, 123, & 124) Calcasieu R.D.

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on August 6, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately 4 miles north of the Community of Cravens, Vernon Parish, T1N R7W S. 35,36; T1S R7W S. 2,12; T1N R6W S. 30,31,32. It is located outside of the Intensive Use Area of the Vernon Unit.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 986 acres, of which an estimated 295 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains eight (8) Payment Units, one (1) of which is a marked clearing (PU 8), where the trees to be cut are marked in green paint, two (2) of which are marked thinning units (PU 6 & 7), and five (5) of which are designation by spacing thinning (PU 1-5), which allows the purchaser to cut and remove 1) smaller diameter trees within 15 feet of a live pine tree that has a larger stump diameter than it and the larger tree is not designated for cutting; and 2) all trees within skid corridors which are no more than 14 feet wide and no closer than 70 feet apart measured center to center. There are no RCW trees in this sale. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

SPECIAL PRODUCT DESIGNATION: This sale contains a special product designation, *Pine Non-saw*, with merchantability standards of 5.0" to 12.9" DBH, at least 10 feet in height to a top diameter of 4.0" DOB. Subsequently, the specifications for a *Pine Sawtimber* tree will be changed to 13.0" DBH and above, at least 12 feet in height to a top diameter of 7" DOB or a limiting merchantability factor, whichever comes first.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **December 31, 2018**.

<u>FORM AD-3030-FS</u>: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 7.5 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of \$2,819.83.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$1.76** per CCF (approximately **\$9,231**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately \$779.62 has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units 1 through 8, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 793-9427 if you have any questions about this sale.